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British Patent Application No. GB 237798 was cited in the British Search Report for British Patent Application no 0217785.5 dated March 9, 2005. A copy of the Search report is enclosed herewith.

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